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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman

FROM:

[REDACTED]
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT:

Alert to Request for SECOM to
do a Hill Security Survey

1. NSA's Chief of Legislative Affairs has asked [REDACTED] to recommend that SECOM do a complete physical and technical security survey of the Hill; develop an overall security plan; and provide Congressional components recommendations for enhanced security. This arises from NSA concern about TEMPEST problems on the Hill.

2. Since we do not yet have a Legislative Branch request for this, I believe all that SECOM can do now is express willingness to cooperate if the DCI wants us to participate. I anticipate a call from [REDACTED] on this and will inform him along these lines if OK with you.

3. FYI - [REDACTED] OLC, and I have discussed Hill security issues. She enlisted SECOM staff help in preparing a more modest proposal bearing essentially on personnel security (investigations, clearances, briefings, etc.). While NSA's acknowledgement of SECOM's leading role in this area is welcome, I suggest we proceed more deliberately on Hill security on the basis of incremental plans, thoroughly coordinated with the Community.